



Measuring Human Performance in a Mobile Ad Hoc Network (MANET)

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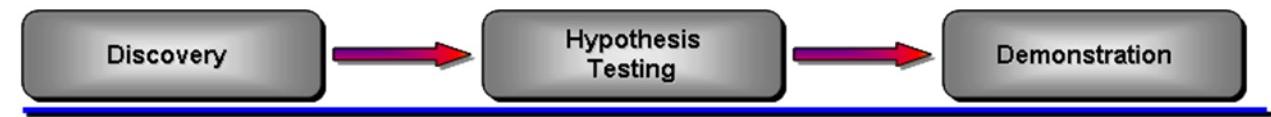
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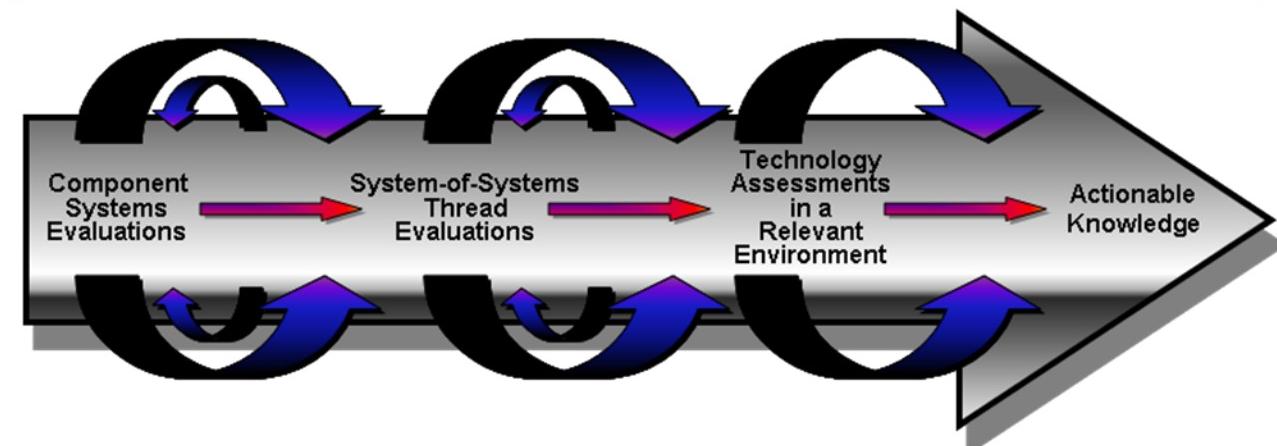
2009 Campaign Goals

1. To mitigate risk for and enable ***C4ISR technology development***
2. To explore engineering challenges associated with ***C4ISR systems integration***
3. To define and mature metrics that quantify the ***technical performance of C4ISR*** systems and systems-of-systems
4. To study ***cognitive impacts*** of the employment of integrated C4ISR systems
5. To utilize and assess varying solutions in support of ***Future Force C4ISR instrumentation, data collection & reduction***

Activities

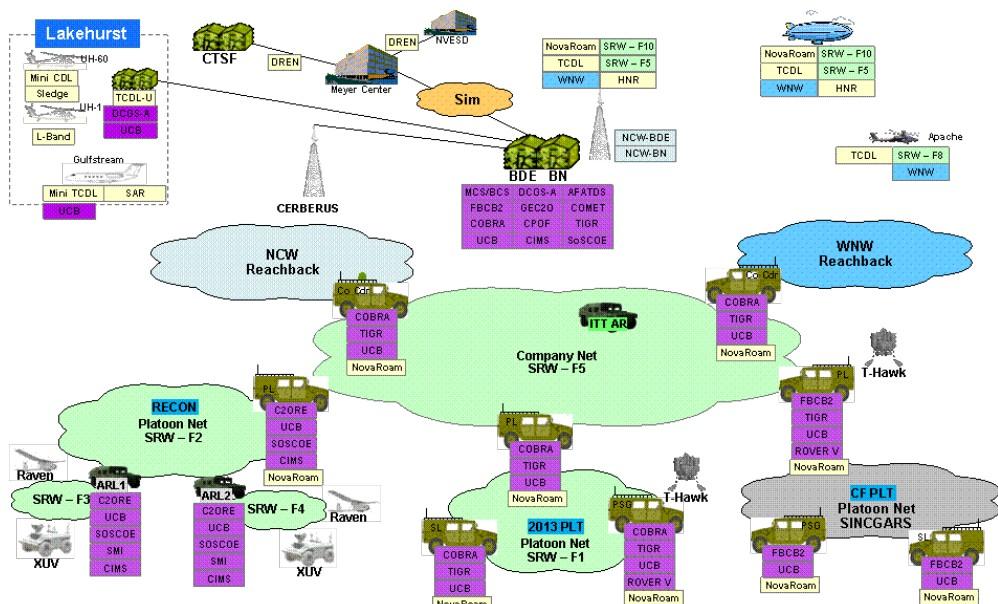


Approach



Unified Battle Command Analysis

Architecture



Fundamental Issues

- What *battle command essential capabilities* are necessary at the Company and Platoon level?
- What is the *flow of data* throughout the experimental force? How well does the *network* support that flow?
- How is the quality of information available at the Company and Platoon level impacted by the *suite of available sensors*?
- How does information made available through the implemented C4ISR architecture impact the *shared situational awareness and mission execution* of the leadership at the experimental Company and Platoon level?

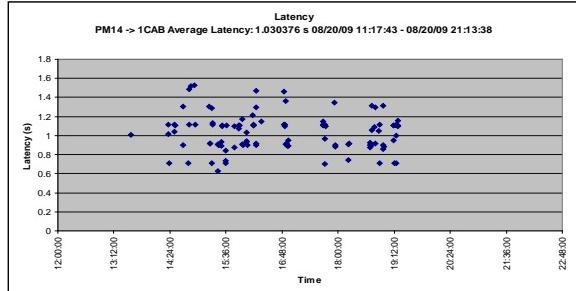
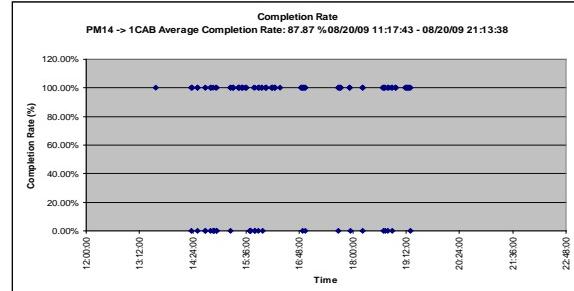
Battle Command Essential Capabilities

1. Robust Network Capability
2. Execute Tactical NetOps
3. Display / Share Relevant Info
4. Standard & Sharable Geospatial Foundation
5. Enable Collaboration
6. Create and Disseminate Orders
7. Battle Command on the Move
8. Execute a Running Estimate
9. JIIM interoperability
10. Rehearsal and Training Support

UBC Early Ideas

- Enhance collaboration with Chat across the force
- Better support stability operations by sharing low res imagery & photo/video clips between platforms and CPs
- Reduce training with common user interface
- Support flexible use of unattended sensors by providing one way guard to distribute timely intelligence information
- Reduce sustainment footprint by integrating FBCB2 onto the FCS computer
- Improve CP perimeter security operations and unmanned system training by installing FCS BC/SOSCOE at CPs
- Improve info exchange with JIIM partners by providing common office tools on platforms

Network Performance



System Performance



Sensor detections, shared imagery, mixed assets



Cognitive Performance

Workload, Situational Awareness, Decision Accuracy

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- Chat capability provided common look and feel across BC systems, allowed focus on geospatial display.
- UGS uneven performance, ranged from too little to too many spot reports ->missed detections or screen clutter.
- Multiple BC GUIs were managed easily by Soldiers who expressed high levels of experience with military and personal computer programs.
- Inputting data and managing screen is distracting from horizon scanning responsibilities.
- Sensors provided too many images, need to associate images with spot reports.



Icons*Messages*Voice*Imagery* Chat*

Collaboration in a Disadvantaged Network Environment

- Cross-Cueing between ground and air assets
- Universal Chat Bridge across multiple battle command applications
- Annotated UAS images
- Touch displays to facilitate planning, sensor utilization/placement and commander's intent
- Decision aiding in robotic asset tasking, collection, and plan adjustment



Extension of Network to Lower Tactical Elements

- Perception of network health is critical to performance
- Need to know how systems are connected, system limitations, link status, diagnostic and correction actions.
- Network status determines choice of communication type: voice, chat, free text, image, spot report.
- Emerging role of Network Manager?



Field Study Setting



Manned and Unmanned Systems integrated in a network architecture



Day and Night missions



Live but scripted OPFOR



Instrumented vehicle fleet

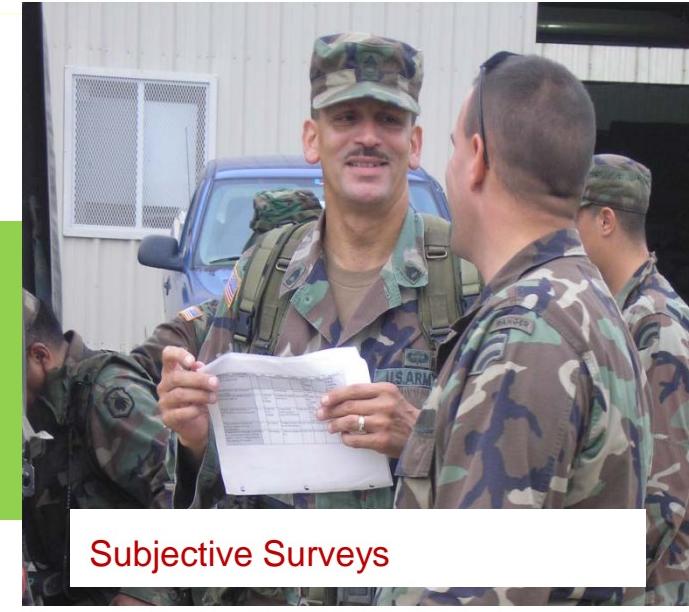
Comprehensive Data Collection



Participant Observation



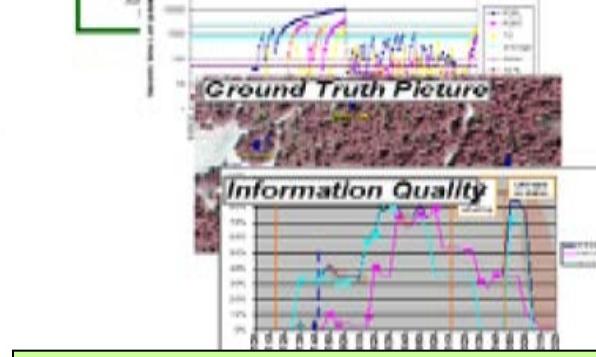
- Triangulation Approach:
- Observations/Interviews
 - Subjective ratings of workload, SA, performance
 - Objective Analysis of performance



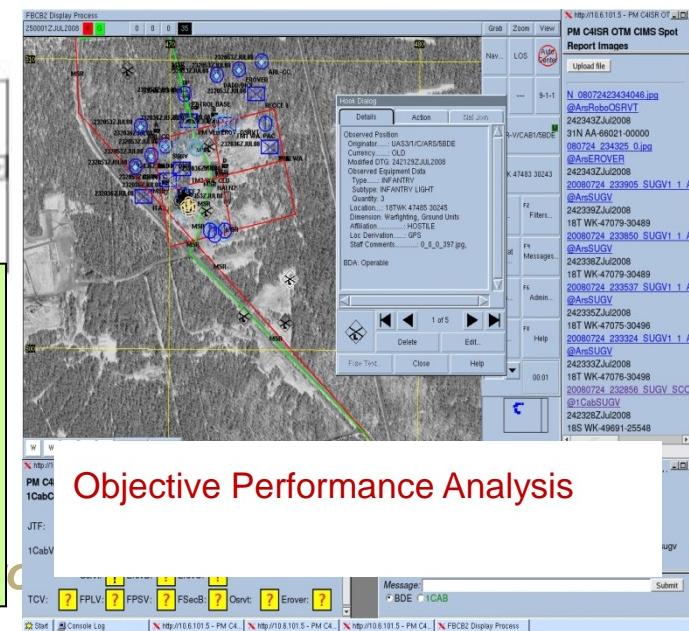
Subjective Surveys



Field Interviews Day & Night



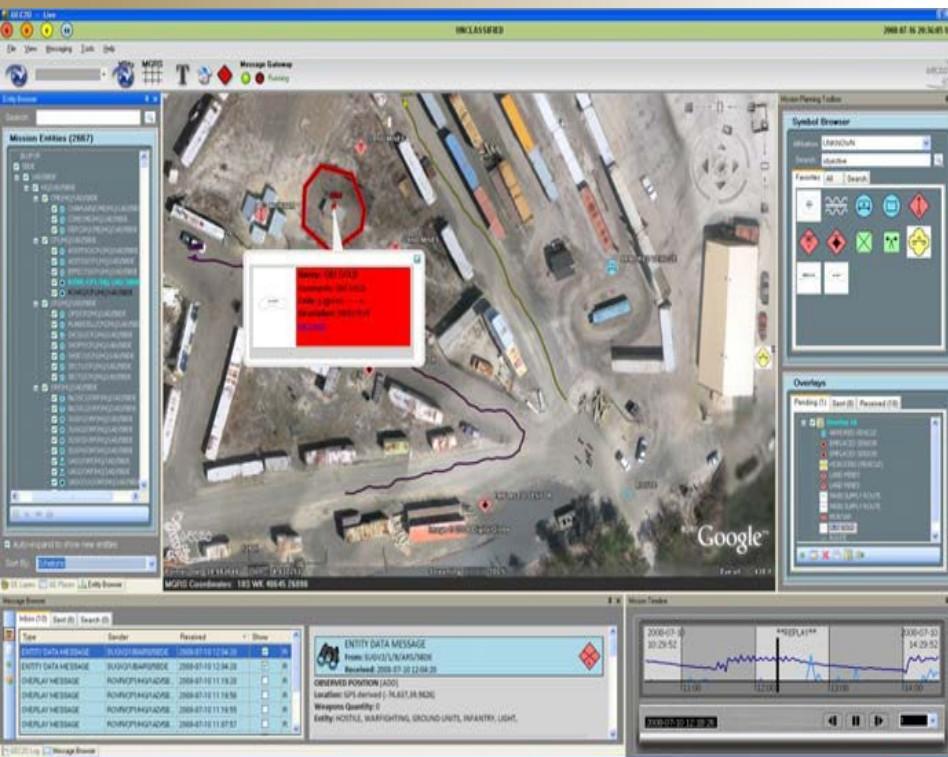
What is the network's impact on Soldier cognition, performance, and technology use in day/night conditions?



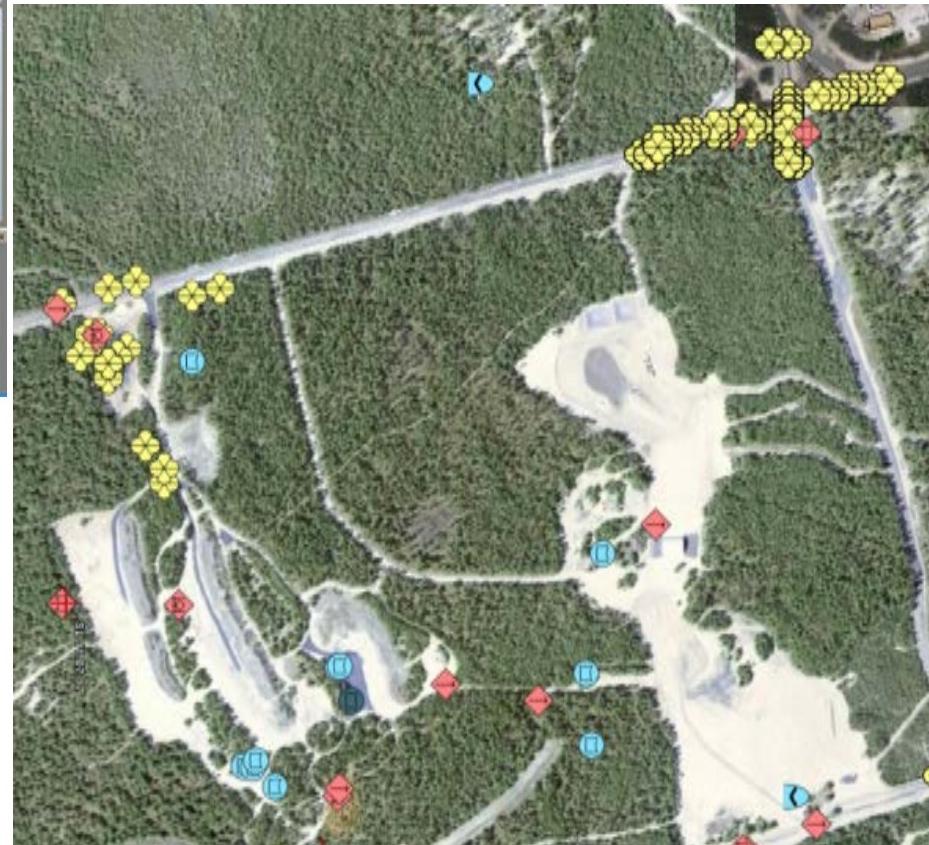
Objective Performance Analysis



Geospatial Environment for C2 Operations (GEC2O) Tool Suite



- 3D or 2D visualization of high fidelity terrain models
 - Imagery and tactical data integrated with Google Earth Pro map and layer information
 - Allows user to virtually fly-over or walk through area of interest



- Pre-Mission support through planning toolbox, symbols, graphics and symbology
 - Live Mission support via near real time data from tactical internet overlaid on map
 - Post-Mission support via playback in forward or backward at a variety of speeds and data archive



GEC2O -- July292008b UNCLASSIFIED 2008-09-05 13:22:24 UT

File View Messaging Tools Help MGRS MGRS Message Gateway Running GEC2O

Day Mission OPFOR arriving from West at 1847:31

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FREE TEXT
From: PL-V1/A/ARS/5BDE
Received: 2008-07-29 18:43:25
Subject: blue salute
s-possible nuclear device a- in back of vehicle I- hmmww on objective... bumper # PM-38, vic bldg A1 u- n/a t-1837 e- possible nuclear device

GEC2O Log Message Browser

Mission Timeline

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MGRS Coordinates: 18S WK 49753 25495

File View Messaging Tools Help



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OPFOR entering Vietnam Village at
1849:37



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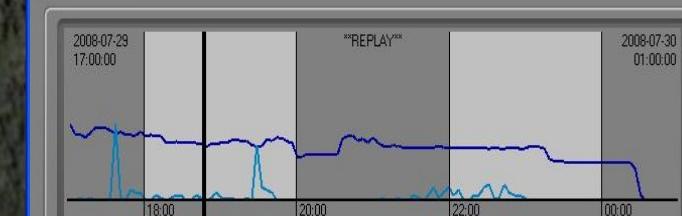
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